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Re: John Paul Smith, et.al. v. Johnson Divsersey
No: 04-40107-GOA

Dear Ms. Lanier:

Please find enclosed under this cover my Affidavit and Oath in Forma Pauperis, pursuant to Title 28 USC 1915. With this is my required "Inmate Account transaction sheet(s) and current balance.

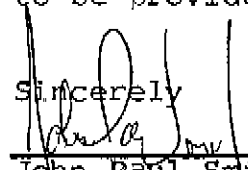
Please don't be of the opinion that I failed to provide the Clerk and the Court this as required. Shortly after my returning from Court in West Virginia, approx. three weeks ago I mailed the exact forms as here with a note that it applied to the yet to be docketed matter of Tillman, Blizzard Smith vs. Johnson Divsersey. Perhaps it was misplaced or not understood due to the matter not then docketed?

Two questions; first, am I correct in assuming that the fifty-dollars (\$50.00) is removed now automatically by FMC Devens? If this is incorrect please advise and I at once will arrange to have the funds sent via my family. Secondly; regarding Michael Tillman, he has no funds nor does he expect the situation to improve in the very near future. We, Donald Blizzard and I have ample funds but are prohibited by prison rules to provide the \$1,450 to Mr. Tillman, but if it is permitted we will have one of our family members send a check to this office in that amount for Mr. Tillman.

Thank-you for your time, this entire legal system is very much confusing to us, we've never had to bring such an action in the past but will do our utmost to properly comply with all rules and pleadings.

Lastly, would it be possible for us to be provided with a copy of the local rules of this Court.

Sincerely


John Paul Smith
Reg.No. 04456-087

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